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**WESTERN AUSTRALIA  
IN BRIEF**

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		1992	1993	1994
ation (E.R.P.) at 30 June --				
	'000	833.2	842.4	855.0
	"	824.2	833.9	846.9
	"	1,657.4	1,676.3	1,701.9
on	"	1,205.5	1,221.2	1,239.4
	"	451.8	455.2	462.4
0 June		1981	1986	1991
of population) --				
	per cent	26.0	24.2	23.6
	"	8.9	8.6	7.8
	"	53.0	54.0	54.9
	"	3.4	3.9	3.9
	"	8.7	9.3	9.9
population) --				
	per cent	71.5	70.9	69.2
	"	14.6	13.8	13.6
	"	2.3	2.0	1.7
	"	4.4	4.3	4.2
	"	3.0	3.6	4.7
	"	1.5	1.8	2.2
	"	2.8	3.7	4.4
No. of persons				
		15,222	16,316	18,826
	"	21,749	23,031	24,003
	"	20,895	21,726	24,361
	"	19,848	22,232	25,016
	"	10,978	14,699	23,343
	"	809,035	883,716	1,018,702
	"	12,948	13,069	11,344
		1991	1992	1993
	No.	25,417	25,073	25,081
	"	9,528	9,898	10,316
	"	10,659	10,118	10,382
	"	4,446	4,540	4,654

		15.5	15.1	15.0
		5.8	6.0	6.2
... rates		6.5	6.1	6.2
Divorces		2.7	2.7	2.8
Rate per 1,000 live births --				
Infant deaths		7.2	6.8	5.7
Principal causes of death (rate per 100,000 mean E.R.P.) --				
Ischaemic heart disease		146.1	142.4	148.7
Malignant neoplasms		155.1	159.4	167.1
Cerebrovascular diseases		52.4	57.9	58.0
Expectation of life --				
Males	Years	75.07	75.24	75.05
Females	"	80.98	80.90	81.15
<b>Education</b>		<b>1991</b>	<b>1992</b>	<b>1993</b>
Government --				
Pre-school centres	No.	121	116	113
Pre-primary centres	"	530	533	558
Schools	"	761	761	767
Students, full time	"	218,868	221,034	222,451
Non-government --				
Pre-primary centres	"	143	155	174
Schools	"	249	250	249
Students	"	70,985	72,552	74,288
Students enrolled --				
Technical education	"	123,578	124,485	125,528
Universities	"	53,636	54,733	55,460
<b>Welfare services</b>		<b>1990-91</b>	<b>1991-92</b>	<b>1992-93</b>
Pensioners at 30 June --				
Age	No.	109,252	117,434	124,762
Invalid	"	42,352	44,783	47,790
Class B Widows	"	6,026	5,816	5,545
Sole parent	"	26,646	28,097	29,874
Job Search/New Start Allowance (a)	"	51,438	81,691	79,903
Repatriation benefits at 30 June (excluding Act of Grace pensions) --				
Veterans disability				
and service pensions	"	34,273	33,909	33,699
Dependants	"	30,506	29,960	29,384
<b>Average weekly earnings (at May)</b>		<b>1992</b>	<b>1993</b>	<b>1994</b>
Males	\$	608.65	617.80	622.70
Females	"	379.70	364.70	384.70
Persons	"	500.60	496.10	507.70

Employed persons —	'000	738.1	759.5	785.6
Males	"	428.5	444.2	459.0
Females	"	309.6	315.3	326.6
Unemployed persons —	"	88.8	80.1	71.9
Males	"	56.4	48.9	41.1
Females	"	32.4	31.2	30.8
Total labour force	"	826.9	839.6	857.5
Unemployment rate —	per cent	10.7	9.5	8.4
Males	"	11.6	9.9	8.2
Females	"	9.5	9.0	8.6
Industry of employed persons —				
Agriculture, forestry etc,	'000	42.0	48.5	49.7
Mining	"	28.2	28.2	30.8
Manufacturing	"	79.9	81.9	84.0
Electricity, gas & water	"	9.5	11.3	8.1
Construction	"	53.7	62.6	64.3
Wholesale and retail trade	"	157.8	152.1	159.4
Transport and storage	"	36.7	36.0	41.2
Communication	"	9.9	10.9	7.8
Finance etc.	"	87.4	80.9	96.9
Public admin & defence	"	28.0	31.8	32.1
Community services	"	143.3	151.7	144.0
Recreation & personal	"	61.9	63.6	67.3

State government finance		1991-92	1992-93	1993-94
Current outlays —	\$m	5,909	6,045	6,144
General government final consumption expenditure	"	3,920	3,969	4,158
Interest payments	"	1,152	1,153	1,008
Other current outlays	"	837	923	978
Capital outlays —	"	1,387	1,430	1,293
Gross fixed capital	"	1,130	1,411	1,170
Other capital outlays	"	257	19	123
Revenue & grants received —	"	6,541	6,776	7,309
Taxes, fees and fines	"	1,925	2,010	2,376
Net operating surpluses of public trading enterprises	"	771	831	863
Interest received	"	236	138	153
Grants received	"	3,071	3,217	3,292
Other revenue	"	538	580	626
Financing transactions —	"	766	699	128
Borrowing (net)	"	1,345	774	-45
Other financing transactions	"	-589	-75	83

		r1990-91	1991-92	p1992-92
nditure —	\$m	19,487	20,487	21,884
	"	6,108	6,464	6,667
nditure —	"	6,846	6,433	7,427
	"	2,101	1,859	1,985
	\$m	17,707	18,736	19,091
	"	16,734	17,237	18,415
dies	"	4,124	3,927	4,054
p(t)	"	38,565	39,900	41,560

of food		1992	1993	1994
		(cents)	(cents)	(cents)
—	1 litre	102	105	106
st	500 g	327	338	334
	"	175	166	162
	680 g	156	147	150
	1 kg	1,024	1,003	1,077
	"	675	700	731
	"	513	567	516
	"	312	327	312
	250 g pld	314	317	309
	"	378	356	413
	1 kg	108	107	122
	"	262	297	263
	50 g 1 doz	188	196	192
	2 kg	190	227	211
	250 g	170	183	173
	150 g jar	411	406	521
	500 g	126	147	154

		107.0	108.8	110.0
		107.4	108.6	108.2
		94.0	87.9	87.3
household equipment and operation		107.5	107.4	108.2
Transportation		109.1	111.2	114.4
Tobacco and alcohol		110.6	114.0	128.8
Health and personal care		117.2	119.8	123.8
Recreation and education		104.8	106.7	107.7
All groups		105.9	106.2	108.5
Materials Used in House Building, Perth				
Base: 1985-86 = 100.0		149.3	150.5	153.5
Materials Used in Other Than House Building, Perth				
Base: 1989-90 = 100.0		105.2	105.7	107.1
<b>Retail trade</b>		<b>1991-92</b>	<b>1992-93</b>	<b>1993-94</b>
Retail turnover of goods (excluding motor vehicles)	\$m	8,597	9,363	10,312
<b>Building</b>		<b>1991-92</b>	<b>1992-93</b>	<b>1993-94</b>
New residential buildings approved	No. of units	18,577	22,479	26,580
New residential buildings completed	"	14,916	r19,804	p21,839
Value of new residential buildings approved	\$m	1,218	1,519	1,965
Value of new residential buildings completed	"	1,088	r1,408	p1,655
Total value of buildings approved	"	1,847	2,546	2,782
Total value of buildings completed	"	2,309	r2,426	p2,542
<b>Mining</b>		<b>1991-92</b>	<b>1992-93</b>	<b>1993-94</b>
Persons employed at 30 June	'000	21.1	19.5	p18.8
Turnover	\$m	10,707.9	10,575.9	p10,550.4
Production ---				
Iron ore	'000 tonnes	r111,643	111,795	119,689
Crude oil	megalitres	7,350	6,893	7,639
Gold	kilograms	182,043	179,632	193,800
Natural gas	million m3	10,496	11,923	13,659
Diamonds	'000 carats	41,424	42,199	39,903
<b>Manufacturing</b>		<b>1990-91</b>	<b>1991-92</b>	<b>1992-93</b>
Establishments at 30 June	No.	3,510	3,845	p3,384
Persons employed at 30 June	'000	64.5	62.5	p62.3
Turnover	\$m	13,114.6	12,903.0	p13,477.0

Imports	\$m	3,548	4,966	4,792
Exports	"	14,055	14,993	15,660
Exports to —				
Japan	"	3,802	3,945	3,999
U.K.	"	350	661	1,180
Singapore	"	1,552	1,563	1,008
Imports from —				
Japan	\$m	534	993	829
U.S.A.	"	562	720	934
United Kingdom	"	232	283	249
Major commodities exported —				
Iron ore	"	2,818	2,883	2,765
Wool	"	499	606	655
Wheat	"	839	1,143	1,122
Gold bullion	"	2,466	2,711	3,286
Petroleum & petroleum products	"	875	967	930

<b>Agriculture</b>		<b>1990-91</b>	<b>1991-92</b>	<b>1992-93</b>
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Gross value of —				
Wheat for grain	\$m	744.9	950.3	1,083.8
Wool	"	874.4	608.2	604.8
Livestock slaughtering and other disposals	"	388.6	418.2	484.0
<b>Total agriculture</b>	"	<b>2,736.4</b>	<b>2,849.4</b>	<b>3,132.6</b>
Livestock at 31 March (d) —				
Cattle for —				
Milk	'000	108.7	112.8	116.2
Meat	"	1,475.0	1,536.3	1,532.0
Sheep and lambs	"	36,465.0	34,060.5	32,964.8
Pigs	"	270.4	317.8	305.3
Production —				
Wheat (d)	'000 tonnes	5,448.4	4,736.0	5,978.9
Wool	"	205.5	177.0	180.4
Beef and veal	"	95.6	91.8	100.5
Mutton and lamb	"	107.9	80.0	100.3
Pigmeat	"	27.0	31.0	33.6

<b>Tourism</b>		<b>1992</b>	<b>1993</b>	<b>1994</b>
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Perth Airport - major port of clearance —				
Total Arrivals	'000	488,300	545,000	609,800
Total Departures	"	474,400	514,500	581,000
Overseas arrivals (Short term visitor arrivals by country of residence by air) —				
Japan	No. of persons	19,500	25,600	29,100
Malaysia	"	19,000	23,600	28,500
New Zealand	"	20,500	23,200	25,100
Singapore	"	36,300	44,500	58,100
United Kingdom	"	48,600	52,300	58,200
United States of America	"	7,100	8,600	10,800
All countries	"	<b>210,900</b>	<b>262,100</b>	<b>328,700</b>

			50	54
	'000	2,056.0	2,216.9	2,332.0
ay	days	2.0	2.4	2.4
modation	\$'000	201,858	221,490	253,448
1 Dec	No.	307	312	315
Dec	"	28,130	28,592	29,625
	per cent	35	39	39
occupied	No.	4,705	4,873	4,957
	'000	1,216.0	1,191.8	1,269.0
modation	\$'000	41,698	44,898	49,018
		1991-92	1992-93	1993-94
stered —				
wagons	No.	41,979	45,567	45,589
	"	1,814	2,117	2,103
	"	9,573	11,556	15,486
	"	53,366	59,240	63,178
0 June —				
wagons	No.	781,600	803,728	827,837
	"	37,816	37,894	37,078
	"	262,294	269,408	277,466
	"	1,081,710	1,111,030	1,142,381



		Date or period	Western Australia	Per cent of Australian
Area	'000 sq km	..	2,526	33.0
Coastline	km	..	12,500	34.0
<b>Demography —</b>				
Estimated resident population	'000	30 June 1994	1,701.9	9.5
Births	No.	1993	25,081	9.6
Deaths (including infant deaths)	"	"	10,316	8.5
Marriages	"	"	10,382	9.2
Divorces	"	"	4,654	9.6
<b>Labour force —</b>				
Employed persons	'000	May 1994	786	10.0
Unemployed persons	"	"	72	8.5
<b>Agriculture —</b>				
Gross value	\$m	1992-93	3,132	14.3
Area of establishments (d)	'000 ha	"	110,587	24.0
<b>Wheat for grain (d) —</b>				
Area	'000 ha	"	3,669	44.3
Production	'000 t	"	5,979	40.6
Wool	"	"	180	25.3
<b>Manufacturing —</b>				
Establishments	No.	1992-93	3,384	8.9
Persons employed	'000	"	62.3	7.2
Foreign imports	\$m	1993-94	4,792	7.4
Foreign exports	"	"	15,660	24.5

(a) Prior to 1991-92 was Unemployment and Job Search Allowance. (b) Includes refinancing.  
 (c) Price for December 1994 relates to eggs with a minimum nett weight of 50 grams. (d) Excludes details for establishments with estimated value of agricultural operations less than \$22,500.

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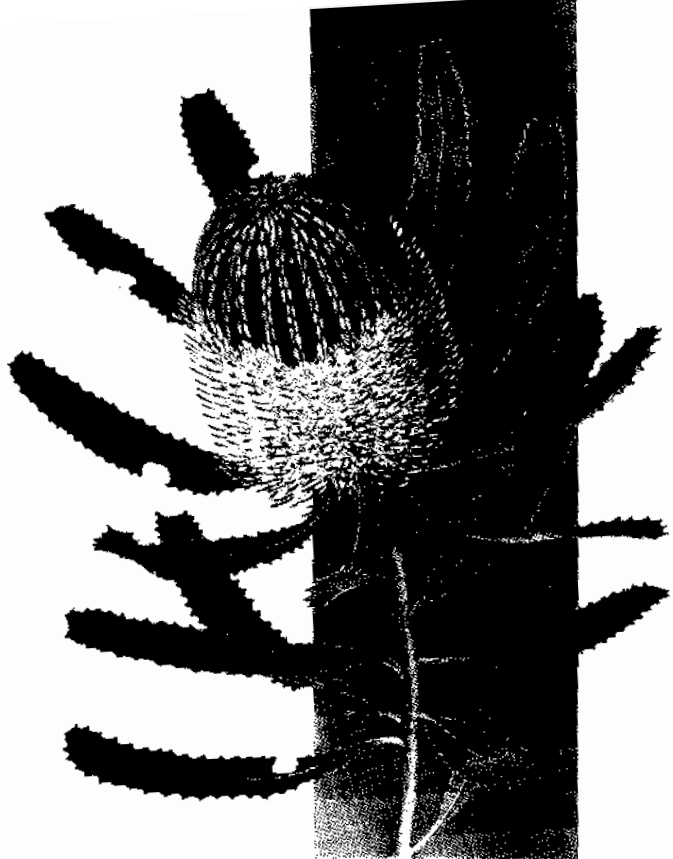
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